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PHOTOGRAPH 7,000 MEN IN NEW YORK NAVY YARD

Workmen's Pictures Taken with Brass
Pay Check Pinned to Them.

Special to The Washington Herald.
New York, Feb. 10.—Orders from the State Department in Washington, a photographer and four assistants have for the last two days been photographing, as fast as possible, each of the 7,000 workmen employed in the New York Navy Yard. Each man is photographed with the number of his pay check pinned to him, his history is taken and a series of questions put to him. This elaborate precaution is being taken, it is said, to keep spies out of the yards where the battle ship *Massachusetts* is being hurriedly constructed and where several cruisers, submarines and gun boats are being put in readiness for an emergency.

The photographs, it is said, will be forwarded to Washington, where, after a record is made, they will be made into buttons. These buttons will be given, one to each man whose face it bears, and he will be ordered to show the buttons as well as his brass pay check before being admitted to the yards.

The photographing is being done on the top floor of Building No. 7, where a photograph gallery has been fitted out. The men, who are working in two shifts, are taken to the building in groups of one hundred. Five photographers snap as many men at the same time. The workers are taken in hand by clerks. On each man when he is seated before the camera, is pinned a piece of black card board in the lapel of his coat. The number of his pay check is pinned in white on the card. After he has been photographed his personal history is taken, he is then interrogated from a set of questions and allowed to return to his work.

NOTED THEATRICAL MAN DIES.

New York, Feb. 10.—For more than thirty years one of America's leading theatrical managers, Al Hayman, 55, retired, died here today after an illness of several years. He is credited with having originated the theatrical syndicate idea here.

Eats Candy But Loses Her Fat

Here's joyful news for every fleshy person who loves good things to eat, especially those who are denying themselves the things they like most because of their desire to keep down their weight or to reduce the fat with which they are already burdened.

The famous Marmola Prescription has been put up in convenient tablet form and is now sold by druggists everywhere at only 10 cents per large case. To get rid of fat at the rate of one to four pounds a week, simply take one of these little tablets after each meal and at bedtime until you have reduced your weight to where you want it. No wrinkles or flabbiness will remain to show where the fat came off.

Simply use Marmola Prescription Tablets according to directions. They are harmless, free from poisonous or injurious drugs and can be used with perfect safety. Try them for just a few weeks and get results without going through long sieges of tireless exercises and starvation diet. Get them at any good drug store or send price direct to Marmola Company, 361 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich., and a full size package will be mailed to you direct in plain wrapper and postpaid.—Adv.

Purely Personal

Miss Margaret E. Rauber has received a probationary appointment in the General Land Office.

William Plimmons has been reinstated in the Patent Office.

Miss Loretta T. Corcoran has received a temporary appointment in the Geological Survey.

Lawson Alexander has received an appointment in the Government Printing Office.

Miss Fors L. Yaden has received a probationary appointment in the Bureau of Mines.

Mrs. Kate S. Yates has been reinstated in the Patent Office.

Leon C. Saffelle, clerk in the Geological Survey, has received a promotion.

Ferdinand Voith, of the Geological Survey has been transferred to the Treasury Department.

P. F. Gilmartin has resigned from his position in the Indian Office.

Ray R. Adams, clerk in the Patent Office, has resigned.

Clarence Scholl, clerk in the Bureau of Mines, has resigned.

Alfred A. Chambers, of Ohio, junior chemist in the Geological Survey, was promoted to assistant chemist.

Leroy Childress has left for an extended vacation.

John H. Lewis, of this city, has resigned as messenger boy in the Patent Office.

George J. Hadley has returned from a business trip through the New England States.

Thomas A. Lambert, of Massachusetts, a clerk in the Pension Office, has been transferred to the Treasury Department.

F. T. Livingston is out again after being confined to his home for six weeks on account of illness.

Harry O. Hauber has received a temporary appointment in the Bureau of Mines.

Miss Lulu M. Crutcher has received a probationary appointment in the Bureau of Mines.

Leo E. Ohlander has received a probationary appointment in the Indian Office.

Miss Augusta A. Ritter, of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing has resigned.

Thomas Miller, of the Government Printing Office, has returned to work after a few days' illness.

Senior Surgeon H. W. Austin, of the Public Health Service, is on leave for thirty days.

Barry Greene, of Roanoke, Va., president of the City Baseball League and sporting man of note, was a visitor to Washington yesterday.

Miss Cecile Ferraro, 1350 Columbia road, is spending a few days with friends in Baltimore, Md.

Alex Robinson, city clerk of Bridgeport, Conn., is in Washington for a few days.

Mrs. J. H. Haughton and her daughter, Miss Louise, both of New York City, are guests at the residence of Mr. and

SPORT LUST ALL BUT LEADS MEN TO DEATH

Ed Philpitt and Party Have Narrow
Escape in Bay.

A harrowing tale of the high seas was told by Edward Philpitt, who returned to his home at 1117 Harvard street northwest, last night.

With Philpitt came George I. Twager, one time employee of the Brooklyn, N. Y., Post Office, and John Milligan, some time of Woodliffe, N. J. All came nearer death than they ever came to again, after chartering a small vessel to carry them down to the fishing grounds off Miami, Fla.

Here's what happened in Philpitt's own words:

"We never expected to see daylight again, and we certainly had given up all hopes of ever getting to Washington. We were in a 52-mile gale last Sunday night."

Had Only One Cent.

"It was a frightful experience. We had already started to make our wills, but when we found that the total wealth of the three of us was only 1 cent, we decided it was not necessary, and we threw the cent overboard as a sacrifice. Prayers were on our lips and we were about all in when rescued."

The trip left Washington on an extended vacation several weeks ago. When they got to Miami, Fla., they decided to charter a yacht for a fishing trip to Bimini, one of the Bahama Islands. They chartered the motor yacht *Huntress*, owned by G. Sampson, of Miami, who accompanied the party as captain.

The trip from Miami to Bimini is only forty-five miles, and after the log showed the yacht had traveled 120 miles, it was decided Sampson had steered his party to sea in several ways. His judgment was no longer accepted, and he was compelled to turn his boat in a direction which would strike the coast of Florida "somewhere."

Engine Is Disabled.

The engine became disabled at about 5 o'clock Sunday evening.

"Imagine how disheartening it was when two schooners and a steamer, who must have seen our distress signals, passed us by," said Twager.

"We hoisted the inverted United States flag, which is an international signal of distress. We took off our coats, shirts and other clothing and made distress signals. Night came and we did not know where we were going."

"Then we noticed the ship was filling with water. We prepared for the end. Morning came and we were listing badly. We sent up a shout when we saw the Bull Line steamship *Hilton*. We frantically signalled with the little strength that was left in us, and we noticed that the *Hilton* was heading our way."

"Capt. Severen Benson, of the *Hilton*, maneuvered alongside of our yacht and cast a line by which we climbed aboard his ship."

Mrs. C. C. Covert, of Capitol Hill, until after inauguration.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Adams, of Auburn, N. Y., after spending weeks in Florida, returned to their home last evening. Mr. and Mrs. Adams have many friends in this city and have been house guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Covert for a few days.

Assistant Pharmacy Inspector Harry Evans, who has been ill at his home several days, has returned to duty.

D. B. Speers, of Norfolk, Va., is in the city for a few days and is stopping at the New National Hotel.

SAYS BIBLE FORETOLD WAR.

That the Bible foretold the warfare now going on in Europe, prophesied that America would be involved in the world-wide conflagration, and pointed out that there is immediate necessity for preparedness will be set forth in a lecture to be delivered next Sunday afternoon at Poll's Theater by R. O. Alexander, a prominent cotton merchant of Charlotte, N. C.

LENOX DRINKING AGAIN; ONLY SOBER ONE YEAR

Prohibition Nearly Ruins Business of
Massachusetts Resort.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Lenox, Mass., Feb. 10.—After one year of drought in the clubs and hotels the town has voted for license by a majority of 25.

The dry year was disastrous to the resort's business, many old patrons of the hotels giving up their reservations for last season on learning that the town would be dry, while a large Sunday luncheon trade was lost entirely.

This year the voters were on hand to make the town wet. Men came to Lenox from New York, Boston and other cities and won a victory for license by a vote of 25 to 23.

When Lenox voted "no license" in 1916 the town had been a license town for twenty-five years, and the change had a wide effect on club life, almost entirely prohibiting large entertainments in the Lenox Club.

G. A. R. TO HONOR LINCOLN.

Women Auxiliaries to Join in Mon-
ster Birthday Celebration.

The G. A. R., Sons of Veterans, Spanish War Veterans, Women's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Daughters of Veterans, all auxiliaries and the Legion of Loyal Women are to have a celebration in honor of "Abraham Lincoln's Birthday," tomorrow, at 8 p. m., in the First Congregational Church, corner of Tenth and G streets northwest.

"Uncle Joe" Cannon, of Illinois, is to give reminiscences of Abraham Lincoln. Dr. James Logan Jordan, pastor of the First Congregational Church, will speak. Mr. John G. Capers, of Washington City, will pay a tribute from the South to Abraham Lincoln. Patriotic airs are to be rendered by the Marine Band Orchestra, and the vocal music is to be given by the Musurgia Quartet, under the direction of Mr. Harry Wheaton Howard. No cards are necessary.

U-BOAT SINKS 15 SHIPS.

Berlin (via Sayville wireless), Feb. 10.—A German submarine which has just returned to port, announced the destruction of fifteen ships, it was stated today by the Overseas News Agency. Ten steamers, aggregating 15,000 tons, were sunk in the Atlantic. A British steamship of 3,000 tons was sunk in the North Sea. In addition three British and one French trawlers were sent down.

SHIP CARGOES A SECRET

New York, Feb. 10.—Collector of the Port Malone today ordered that all manifests, disclosing the nature of cargoes of outgoing ships, be kept secret.

This step is taken as a precautionary measure, as it is deemed unwise to permit German agents to learn what the various liners are carrying. It was announced.

A German collier has installed a cannon 500 feet below ground to save its miners' time.

SLASHED HIS WRIST AFTER NAGGING WIFE

Four-Foot Man Cuts Self Because He
Can't "Bull" Spouse.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Baltimore, Feb. 10.—Determined to worry and nag his wife and feeling that he was physically unable, owing to a decided difference in size, Ernest Armiger slashed his wrist with the blade of a safety razor.

Armiger, according to the testimony at the Central Police Court this morning, was to have accompanied his wife, Edith, to the theater last night, but late yesterday afternoon came home under the influence of liquor, and instead of Mrs. Armiger going with her spouse, her daughter accompanied her. This further enraged Armiger.

He is about four feet tall, while his wife stands well over five feet and is quite large. On the return of Mrs. Armiger she claims her husband continued his abuse, and, while he did not strike her, he did far worse. Going into another room the man secured a razor blade and cut a gash in his wrist.

Although it was past the midnight hour and extremely cold, Mrs. Armiger was forced to run the streets in search of physicians and the police. It required seven stitches to close the wound, after which Armiger was taken to the Central Police Court and charged with disorderly conduct.

After giving the man a severe lecture this morning Magistrate Packard held the case in abeyance for one month on the promise of Armiger to stop drinking.

POSTAL RATE CHANGES STRICKEN FROM BILL

Senator Hitchcock late yesterday afternoon succeeded in having the provision to raise second-class postal rates 100 per cent, and another to reduce the rate of local drop letters from two cents to one, stricken from the \$330,000,000 postal bill.

The amendment was out on a point of order, but notice was given that an attempt will be made tomorrow to put them back. It will require a two-thirds vote of the Senate to accomplish this.

The second-class rate provision applies to newspapers and periodicals and would raise the price during 1917 from one cent a pound to one and one-half cents and the second year from one and one-half cents to two cents. Proponents of the legislation claim it would add \$5,000,000 to the postal revenue.

The one cent reduction on first-class letters mailed to persons residing in the city and suburbs would reduce the postal revenues \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000 annually.

LOUISIANIANS TO DANCE.

Proceeds Will Finance Float for
Inaugural Parade.

After an intensive campaign during the past week the women members of the families of the Louisiana Senators and Representatives believe that they have rounded-up practically all Louisiana who reside in Washington, and have sold them tickets to a dance to be given at the Ebbitt tomorrow night.

Dancing will be interrupted for twenty minutes at 11 o'clock, when Senator Ransdell will point out the advantages of having a Louisiana society in Washington. It is probable an organization will be perfected at once.

The proceeds of the dance will go toward a fund being raised for a Louisiana float for the inaugural parade.

Nutshell News

The grand jury of the Southern District of New York is about to begin an inquiry into alleged combinations in restraint of trade in the news print paper industry, according to an announcement made by the Department of Justice yesterday.

Brain food has gone up in price. The war is to blame. We have the high cost of living on every side, but now as an additional result of the European war, we have the high cost of learning. Chemicals have advanced, so that George Washington University may raise the price of the medical and dental courses. The increased tuition will not affect students already enrolled, but will affect future enrollments.

Thomas Alliger, 55, 143 U street northwest, was overcome by illuminating gas yesterday at noon while at work in his print shop. First aid treatment was rendered by Policeman R. M. Cox and the Emergency Hospital ambulance was summoned. The physician in charge of the wagon pronounced the man out of danger when he arrived.

Some person unknown evidently bent on securing food for that lost bound dog or their family yesterday relieved Walter A. Hunter, No. 2 Conduit road of three loaves of pork valued at \$3.50. The chops were stolen from the wagon of Mr. Hunter, while he was attending to some business in the vicinity of 225 Louisiana avenue.

A. J. Fealy, No. 67 New York avenue northeast, while operating his automobile in Eleventh street near Euclid street, collided with street car number 25, of the Washington Railway and Electric Company. The automobile was damaged to the extent of about \$20. No one was hurt.

Sneak thieves, operating in broad daylight, entered the home of Jessie Allen, 720 C street northeast, yesterday afternoon, and stole women's wearing apparel to the value of \$107.

Enraged, that kind-faced cow reported strayed from her home with Mrs. Sarah Griggs in Conduit road, has returned to duty, according to a report received by the police yesterday afternoon.

Two men's shirts, valued at \$1 each, were lifted from the clothes line in the yard of Emma Hughes, 527 T street northwest, some time last night.

Al Porter, colored, said to live in Jackson Hall alley, fell in front of 53 K street northwest, shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon and died while on the way to Casualty Hospital in the ambulance. The coroner was notified.

Fire, said to have its origin from a lighted cigarette carelessly laid on a table by A. A. Spier, tenant in the house at 1321 New Hampshire avenue, started a fire which resulted in \$50 damage yesterday.

Thrown from his wagon when his team became frightened at a switch engine passing along the railway track at Benning road northeast, and started to run away late yesterday afternoon, Anton Schroth, 25, 146 Anacostia road, is in Casualty Hospital today, battered and bruised.

A housebreaker, with a sweet tooth, visited the fruit stand of Nicholas Koirech, 19th street and Louisiana avenue, Friday night and took \$4 worth of raisins, figs and dates.

Traffic was blocked in Ninth and P streets northwest, yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock when the fire department was called out to put out the blazing automobile of David E. Roberts, who is stopping at the Ebbitt House. The insulation of the wiring of the machine was ignited when the engine back-fired. Damage totaled \$20.

The vacant house at 1117 I street northwest, was found open yesterday by the agents, Belt & O'Brien. Investigation revealed the fact that the building had been stripped of much valuable plumbing.

The show window of the store of Louis Sidorsky, 1238 Seventh street northwest, was broken into early yesterday and robbed of three pairs of trousers valued at \$4.

BOW TO KING POTATO; HE'S REALLY ROYAL NOW

Erstwhile Common "Spuds" Command
\$2.25 a Bushel.

Special to The Washington Herald.
New York, Feb. 10.—The pomme de terre growers of Riverhead, L. I., they ceased to be potatoes when the price passed \$1 a bushel—no longer call themselves tuber farmers, but tuber miners.

It was announced today that the commodity was bringing \$2.25 a bushel there and that 100,000 bushels were held in reserve in a small section of the town by a select few of the miners.

One individual has 5,000 bushels left and he is holding for "a reasonable price." He sold enough cauliflower last fall to pay all his expenses for a year and he sees no reason for rushing his potatoes to the merchant at the prevailing odds. Another man, carting an occasional load to market, accumulated \$2,900 in ten days in January.

Potash is being held at \$400 a ton and as it is too expensive for the growers they predict there will be a crop shortage the coming season.

In the mounting cost of vegetables the lowly onion pushed its way toward the head today. A 100-pound bag of onions costs \$10, if it happens to be a Texas onion. The Orange County yellow onion, which cost \$6 to \$8 a week ago, now costs \$7.50 to \$9 per 100 pounds.

Florida peas have gone up from \$2 to \$3 a basket, red cabbages from \$1.75 to \$2, and Virginia spinach from \$1.25 to \$1.50 a barrel.

PACIFISTS WILL URGE REFERENDUM ON WAR

Pacifists will stage a demonstration at the Capitol tomorrow in favor of a bill to have the power of declaring war placed in the hands of the people.

The bill of Representative Callaway, of Texas, provides for such a constitutional change and strips Congress of its power to vote upon a declaration of war.

Members of the Emergency Peace Federation will have charge of the Capitol feature. A special train bearing delegates from New York will leave that city late tonight and representatives from all parts of the country are expected to join the party tomorrow.

WANTS DATA ON SHIP FEARS.

Representative Platt, of New York, yesterday introduced a resolution calling upon the President to furnish Congress with information as to whether American ships trading with Great Britain, France, or Italy are being held in the United States because of threats of destruction by the naval vessels of a foreign power.

He also desires to know what steps, if any, have been taken by the Navy Department to protect American shipping.

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